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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Re Patent Application of  
NEBIAT T GETACHEW  
Serial No.: 09/641,852  
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For: SEPARABLE CONTAINER APPARATUS

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Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

FEE CALCULATION: No Additional Fees Due. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be 3 or less.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2001,  
please amend the application as follows:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

In the Claims:

1. A separable container apparatus comprising:  
containers each having an open top, a bottom wall, and a  
peripheral side wall assembly securely attached to and extending  
upwardly from said bottom wall, said containers being detachably  
connected to one another to essentially form a single structure  
having a plurality of storage compartments;  
lids being removably attached to any combination of attached  
said containers; and

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